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Commissioner David Kessler
Food and Drug Administration
5600 Fishers Lane
Rockville, Maryland 20857

Dear Commissioner Kessler,

The FDA's Veterinary Medicine Advisory Committee is turning its attention to the problem of routine use of antibiotics in animal feed, which is resulting in antibiotic resistant bacteria. Animals are stressed by crowding, foul air and lack of exercise on factory farms. They are unhealthy, but owners feed them antibiotics instead of improving their living conditions.

Complications and deaths are increasing, and evidence mounts that antibiotic use on farms is the cause.

It is good news that your Veterinary Medicine Advisory Committee is studying this problem.

Sincerely,

Bernadette Sonefeld

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If you knew the  ingredients of

were

CRUELTY, FEAR, PAIN, SUFFERING & SLAUGHTER

WOULD YOU EAT THESE ANIMALS ?



VEGETARIAN
SERIOUS ENVIRONMENTAL

EACH PERSON WHO SWITCHES TO A TOTAL VEG

- CONSERVES HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF GALLONS OF WATER
- SAVES OVER 25,000 POUNDS OF TOPSOIL
- SPARES ALMOST ONE ACRE OF FOREST
- REDUCES THE DESTRUCTION OF WILDLIFE HABITAT AND PLANT AND ANIMAL SPECIES
- KEEPS OVER 4 TONS OF UNTREATED FACTORY-FARM WASTE OUT OF OUR WATER EACH YEAR
- USES A FRACTION OF THE ENERGY REQUIRED BY A MEAT-BASED DIET

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